

March 3, 2015

## NOTICE OF CONTINUATION OF THE CALIFORNIA SHEEP COMMISSION

## TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

The California Department of Food and Agriculture (Department) held a public hearing on December 9, 2014 in Sacramento, California to consider the continuation of the California Sheep Commission (Commission). The Department is required under the Commission Law to conduct such a hearing every five years to provide an opportunity for sheep producers and other interested parties to comment on the usefulness and effectiveness of the Commission.

Based on the testimony and evidence received during the hearing process, the Department has found that a substantial question does not exist among sheep producers as to whether the Commission is fulfilling its declared purposes. Therefore, the Department has approved the continuation of the California Sheep Commission for five more years, through March 31, 2020.

The California Sheep Commission is a State marketing program that conducts advertising and promotion, production research, and educational activities relating to California's lamb and wool industry. These activities are funded by mandatory assessments levied upon all California sheep producers who market over 100 pounds of wool annually.

If you have questions regarding this notice or the activities of the Commission, please call David Goldenberg, President/CEO of the California Sheep Commission, at (916) 933-7667 or Joe Monson with the Department's Marketing Branch at (916) 900-5018.

Sincerely,

Robert Maxie, Chief Marketing Branch

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